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DATE: February 6, 2020

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-CH-2016-CFR-0057

CROSS REFERENCE #: N/A

TITLE: O'Hara, Floyd, GS-13, Information Security Officer, Resource Management Division

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
Floyd O'Hara	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Naperville, IL 60565	

VIOLATION(S): 18 U.S.C. § 2252A (Possession of Child Pornography)
18 U.S.C. § 641 (Conversion of Government Property)
18 U.S.C. § 1512 (Obstruction of Justice)
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ALLEGATION: This investigation was initiated based on information received from a local police department. The Naperville, IL Police Department noted that a large amount of child pornography was going to an IP address that was registered to the EPA office in downtown Chicago.

FINDINGS: The investigation revealed that the home IP address for Floyd O'Hara, Information Security Officer, EPA was also downloading large amounts of child pornography. Dual simultaneous search warrants on the residence and office of O'Hara uncovered additional evidence of child pornography and evidence of unauthorized EPA property at O'Hara's residence. Subsequent computer forensics showed that O'Hara tampered with the evidence in an attempt to obstruct the investigation.

DISPOSITION: On April 1, 2016, this investigation was referred to the United States Attorney's Office (USAO), Northern District of Illinois for prosecution consideration. The USAO accepted this investigation for prosecution.

On March 8, 2018, O'Hara pled guilty to one count of violating 18 U.S.C. § 1512 (Obstruction of Justice). O'Hara was sentenced to thirty-eight months of incarceration followed by three years of probation and ordered to pay a special assessment fee of \$100.

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On June 17, 2016, eleven days after O'Hara was arrested, O'Hara retired from the federal government.

On July 11, 2019, O'Hara was debarred for a period of ten years from participating in procurement and non-procurement activities with the federal government.

All potential criminal, civil and administrative remedies have been addressed, and no further investigative activity is warranted. This case is closed.



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WASHINGTON, DC 20004

DATE: MAY 23, 2017

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-HQ-2015-ADM-0113

CROSS REFERENCE

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
DIVISION, OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE,
CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	

VIOLATIONS: 18 USC 2252 (Possession of Child Pornography)
18 USC 1510 (Obstruction of Justice)
EPA Order 3120.3A (Employee Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program)

ALLEGATION: On (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), the Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) initiated an investigation into (1) allegations that a forensic examination of a government laptop computer issued to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Special Agent in Charge (SAC), Criminal Investigation Division (CID), EPA yielded images of suspected child pornography. Based upon this complaint, EPA OIG OI determined to investigate whether (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) used (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) assigned government computer to access child pornography sites. In addition to said allegation, the OIG OI determined that the following allegations had investigative merit: (2) whether (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) used prescription medications (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was not medically authorized to use; and (3) whether (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) provided (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), former (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) information concerning (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) operations, which (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was not authorized to know.

FINDINGS: First, results of database comparison with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) Child Recognition Identification System (CRIS) revealed that none of the images submitted by the EPA OIG for comparison appeared to contain any identified series. (b) (7)(E)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

cannot determine with medical certainty that the people depicted in the photographic images are under 18 years of age.

Investigative activity for allegation 2 were not pursued due to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) retirement from the EPA; and the expiration of the statute of limitation prevented investigative activity for allegation

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3 were not investigative due to the expiration of the statute of limitation and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) retirement from the EPA. Additionally,

DISPOSITION: Based on the aforementioned information, and due to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) retirement from the EPA in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) no further investigative action is warranted at this time. This investigation is hereby closed.



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CASE #: OI-CH-2018-ADM-0001

CROSS REFERENCE #: Case number

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Chicago, IL

INTERVIEWEE (if applicable): Interviewee

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE CLOSING REPORT

VIOLATION(s): 18 U.S.C § 2252 (Possession, Distribution and Receipt of Child Pornography)

ALLEGATION(s): On September 22, 2017, Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI), Chicago Field Office (CFO) received a telephone call from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) EPA Region 5, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) related the following:

On September 5, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) received a call from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that while packing to move (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) came across an old EPA laptop that needed to be returned. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) made arrangements for the laptop to be mailed to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) researched the laptop, but no one had any record of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) retaining an EPA assigned laptop.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) received the laptop computer on September 18, 2017. Upon receipt of the computer, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) began to review the electronic content for any records that would need to be handled in accordance with the Agency's record retention policy. There were a few document files that were not records which (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) deleted. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) believed this computer was in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) possession during the early 2000's which is when (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) received a disciplinary action. On March 20, 2005, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was suspended for 30 days for inappropriate behavior and misuse of a computer (sexual in nature). The offenses from this action were the misuse of government resources and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) misrepresentations to the OIG about (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) misuse.

Based on this, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) felt it necessary to make sure there was nothing inappropriate on the computer before returning the laptop to EPA inventory. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) first looked at the internet history and saw that two searches of a sexual nature had been conducted. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not open

CASE:
OI-CH-2018-ADM-0001

DATE OF ACTIVITY:
April 10, 2018

INTERVIEWEE (if applicable):
Interviewee

DRAFTED DATE:
April 10, 2018

AGENT(S):
SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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these links but did a search to see if there were any images on the computer as a result of the these or any other internet searches. Running a search for image files led (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to several files housed in the temporary internet file directory. While (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not open any of the files, the file names suggested that many contained images of a sexual nature. It was when (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) came across files with the term "boys" in the name that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stopped and turned the computer off. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was concerned the computer contained child pornography.

FINDINGS: On October 11, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) requested investigative support from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) EPA, OIG, OI, Electronics Crime Division (ECD). Specifically, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) requested ECD to conduct an examination of an EPA laptop searching for child pornography.

On January 9, 2018, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) received a report from ECD that no child pornography was found on the computer.

DISPOSITION: This case is not criminal and is solely an administrative matter. The investigation showed that the allegation was not supported. No further action is expected in this case; therefore, this case is closed.

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Interviewee

DRAFTED DATE:
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AGENT(S):
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DATE: MAY 17, 2016

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-CH-2012-ADM-0163

CROSS REFERENCE #: N/A

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), GS-13 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	WASHINGTON, DC	N/A

EVIDENCE- DO NOT DESTROY – SEE BELOW

ALLEGATION: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) discovered potential child pornography on an EPA loaner computer while running a file detection program on the computer. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) US EPA, Region 5 stated to investigators the detection program revealed a uniform resource locator (URL) address that suggested child pornography.

DISPOSITION(S): On November 13, 2013, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was indicted by a Grand Jury in the Northern District of Illinois for two counts of possession of child pornography in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. 2252A(a)(5)(B). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) resigned (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) employment effective on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) 2013. A Standard Form (SF-52) was generated which indicated that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) resigned while under criminal investigation.

RECOMMENDATION/DIRECTION: No evidence is to be destroyed until contacting and receiving guidance from AUSA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) for final disposition of evidence.

There are no further investigative steps to be taken in this matter and is the case is recommended for closure.

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